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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Appln. No.: 09/912,340)
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For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD,)
LIQUID DISCHARGE APPARATUS,)
AND METHOD OF)
MANUFACTURING LIQUID)
DISCHARGE HEAD)
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

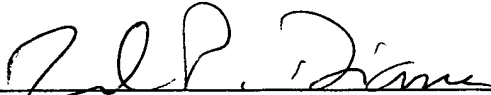
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

For the concise explanation of relevance for the Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 9-201966, the Examiner is referred to the discussion starting at page 3, line 16, and ending at page 8, line 18, of the specification, to the corresponding English-language abstract, and to the counterpart U.S. Patent No. 6,007,187 submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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